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## ACRONYMS



CFU / cfu	Colony Forming Units. A measure of bacterium concentration.
CSL	Cleanup Screening Level. A sediment contaminant threshold.
DDT	dichlorodiphenyl-trichloroethane
ERM	Effects Range Median
ENSO	El Niño – Southern Oscillation
FAC	Fluorescing Aromatic Compounds
HCB	Hexachlorobenzene
HPAH	High [molecular weight] Polycyclic Aromatic Hydrocarbons
K	Carrying Capacity
LPAH	Low [molecular weight] Polycyclic Aromatic Hydrocarbons
MLLW	Mean Lowest Low Water
MMPA	Marine Mammal Protection Act (1972)
MNPL	Maximum Net Productivity Level
MPN	Mean Probable Number. Used to quantify fecal coliform levels.
MSMT	Marine Sediment Monitoring Team
mt	Metric Tons
NMFS	National Marine Fisheries Service
NOAA	National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration
OSP	Optimum Sustainable Population (in the context of population analysis) Oil Spill Team (in the context of toxic contaminants)
PAH	Polycyclic Aromatic Hydrocarbons
PCB	Polychlorinated biphenyls
ppDDE	para-para-dichlorophenyl-dichloroethylene; a breakdown product of DDT
PSAMP	Puget Sound Ambient Monitoring Program
PSWQAT	Puget Sound Water Quality Action Team
SQS	Sediment Quality Standards, Washington State
TPAH	Total PAH concentration
VOC	Volatile Organic Compounds
WDFW	Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife
WQI	Water Quality Index

